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Results: 10 of 415 Test Positive for COVID-19

Results: 10 New Cases of COVID-19

Ten (10) new cases of COVID-19 were identified out of 415 tests performed on Thursday, December 17, 2020. **Three** (3) cases were identified through contact tracing. **One** (1) case reported recent travel history and were identified in quarantine.

To date, there have been a total of **7,193** officially reported cases of COVID-19 with **119** deaths, **461** cases in active isolation and **6,613** not in active isolation.

TODAY'S CAR SCORE

1.6

The COVID Area Risk (CAR) Score accounts for the incidence of new cases, how well current testing identifies these cases, and the rate of spread. Given the recent surges, Guam's first step has been to achieve a sustained CAR Score of 5.0 and below. The ideal long-term goal is to sustain a CAR Score of 2.5 or less, which has been shown to correlate with very low to zero COVID-related hospitalizations and deaths. To learn more about the CAR Score, visit Strive for Five.

The following tables provide COVID-19 test results reported to the Joint Information Center on Friday, December 18 and reflects results from Thursday, December 17:

COVID-19 CASE COUNT	TOTAL	NEW CASES REPORTED TODAY	PAST 7 DAYS
COVID-19 CASES:	7,193	10	114
CONFIRMED CASES:	7,026	9	84
PROBABLE CASES:	167	1	30

COVID-19 TESTING ON GUAM	TOTAL	NEW TESTS REPORTED TODAY	7-DAY % POSITIVE
DIAGNOSTIC TESTS	97,450	415	2.8%
MOLECULAR TESTS	92,574	388	2.6%
ANTIGEN TEST	4,876	27	3.3%
SEROLOGY TESTS	321	0	2.7%

CASE BREAKDOWN					
STATUS		SEX		CURRENT ISOLATION LOCATION	
COVID-19 Death	119	Female	2,984	Hospital	25
Active Isolation	461	Male	4,208	Home	394
Not In Isolation	6,613	AGE GROUP		Isolation Facility	34
Civilian	6,864	0-9	423	Military	8
Military Service Member	329	10-19	710	EPI-LINK TO COVID-19 CASE	
Travel History	296	20-29	1,472	Household Contact	1,800
US	255	30-39	1,350	Community Contact	968
Dubai	2	40-49	1,364	Workplace Contact	1,095
Japan	3	50-59	1,068	Healthcare Contact	84
Mexico	1	60-69	552	RESIDENCE	
Philippines	34	70-79	187	North	4,111
Singapore	1	80-89	56	Central	1,895
Identified in Quarantine	268	90+	10	South	798
				Homeless	4
				Non-resident	96

COVID HOSPITAL CENSUS	Guam Memorial Hospital	Guam Regional Medical City	U.S. Naval Hospital	TOTAL
COVID ADMISSION	20	5	0	25
IN ICU	8	1	0	9
ON VENTILATOR	4	1	0	5

GBHWC Crisis Hotline

The Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center (GBHWC) has a Crisis Hotline that is available 24/7 at (671) 647-8833/4. For those feeling anxious, stressed, overwhelmed or are needing to talk to someone, GBHWC has experienced providers available and ready to assist the community with any heightened stress and anxiety experienced as a result of COVID-19.

For the latest information on COVID-19, visit <u>dphss.guam.gov</u> or <u>guamrecovery.com</u>. For inquiries on COVID-19, contact 311 through a local number, or call the Joint Information Center at (671) 478-0208/09/10.